

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention provides a system and method for providing for future rate changes in a billing system. In architecture, the system includes an identifier that identifies that a future rate plan is to be changed, and a selector that enables a user to  
5 select the future rate plan desired. A processor implements the future rate change. The present invention can also be viewed as a method for providing for future rate changes in a billing system. The method operates by (1) identifying that a future rate plan is to be changed; (2) selecting the future rate plan desired; and (3) implementing the future rate change.